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Bound Congressional Record

Microfiche:

A number of libraries have contacted the Library Programs Service (LPS) about an apparent contradiction concerning the distribution of the bound *Congressional Record* in microfiche. In *Administrative Notes*, v. 10, #4, February 1989, p. 11, paragraph #3 states: "Based on the JCP letter of April 20, 1988, GPO has not been authorized to advertise the microfiche conversion for the *Congressional Record*. Thus those 850 currently selecting microfiche will receive nothing." Yet LPS has recently shipped several parts of volume 131 to all those depositories selecting item 0993-D.

To recapitulate briefly, during the Gramm-Rudman sequestration in 1986, LPS announced that the bound *Congressional Record*, beginning with volume 129, would be distributed only in microfiche under item number 0993-D. The first volume printed by GPO after that notice was 131. In early 1987, several parts of volume 131 were converted to microfiche. These failed to pass quality assurance inspection and were rejected. These print orders became part of the microfiche contract default in August 1987.

Several parts of volume 131 are listed on page 171 of the "Microfiche Backlog" package, compiled by Steve Hayes, and distributed by LPS to all depositories in December 1988. LPS has been instructed to reprocur all defaulted print orders even though shipping only a few microfiche of volume 131 of the bound *Congressional Record* has puzzled documents librarians.

As yet, LPS has not been authorized by JCP to convert to microfiche the remaining parts of 131, or any of 129 and 130. Therefore, only those few parts of volume 131 in the microfiche default backlog can be shipped to depository librarians.

Paper:

Appropriations are available solely for the hardbound *Congressional Record* from 1983-1985 encompassing volumes 129-131. Recently, LPS instructed the Congressional Printing Management Division to reprint these volumes for only those 540 libraries selecting item number 0993 as of 10/1/88. Only a general estimate of a Fall 1989 delivery can be provided at this time.

Meeting On Electronic Information Dissemination To Federal Depository Libraries: Pilot Projects

May 25, 1989
Carl Hayden Room
U.S. Government Printing Office

Following is the preliminary agenda for the Pilot Project Kick-off meeting announced in *Administrative Notes*, Vol. 10, no. 10:

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| 11:00 - 11:05 | Welcome | Don Fossedal, Superintendent of Documents |
| 11:05 - 11:10 | Remarks | John Chambers, JCP Staff Director |
| 11:10 - 11:30 | Overview of Pilot Projects | Jan Erickson, GPO |
| 11:30 - 12:00 | Bureau of the Census | Forrest Williams, Chief, DUSD Systems & Programming Branch |
| 12:00 - 12:30 | Toxic Release Inventory | Gerhard Brown, Geraldine Nowak, EPA Office of Toxic Substances |
| 12:30 - 1:30 | Lunch | |
| 1:30 - 2:00 | Congressional Record | JCP Representative |
| 2:00 - 2:30 | Economic Bulletin Board | Ken Rogers, Dept. of Commerce |
| 2:30 - 2:45 | Break | |
| 2:45 - 3:15 | Energy Research Abstracts | Sutton Kay, Dept. of Energy |
| 3:15 - 3:45 | Evaluation of Pilot Projects | Larry Herrmann, General Accounting Office |
| 3:45 - 4:00 | Closing Remarks | Mark Scully, Director, GPO Library Programs Service |
